The opinion in support of the decision being entered today was <u>not</u> written for publication and is <u>not</u> binding precedent of the Board.

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte JAGDISH PARASRAMPURIA, MAXINE B. YONKER, KENNETH E. SCHWARTZ, and MARC J. GURWITH

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ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on February 14, 2005. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

The section "Prior Art of Record" is missing from the Examiner's Answer dated March 2, 2004. See Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) § 1208 (8th ed., Rev. 2, May 2004). Appropriate correction is required.

Additionally, it does not appear that the Appeal Brief fee has been applied.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is electronically returned to the

Examiner:

- to submit a new Examiner's Answer which includes the missing section and title as required by MPEP § 1208;
- written notification to appellants;
- apply appropriate Appeal Brief fee; and
- for such further action as may be appropriate.

It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be informed promptly of any action affecting the appeal (i.e., abandonment, issue, reopening prosecution).

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